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The predicament of the railroads of the 5ta United States is adding a great force to the weight of argument supporting the St. Lawrence-Great Lakes deep water way project. sal Business in all parts of the country is interrupted by the traffic congestion, due to the inability of the railroads to move the freight. This ge is not because of the incompetence of the management, or the shortage of help, but because of the inadequacy of the equipment and facilities. Our government has just loaned the roads ms \$300,000,000 to be expended that emergency requirements may be partly met. And the total amount asked for the St. Lawrence waterway is only \$150,000,000, or half that granted the railroads as temporary relief.

Sixteen years ago James J. Hill startled the country by declaring that the railroad systems would have to expend a billion dollars a year for at least five years in order to bring their service up to a parity with business demands. The roads did not spend half this sum. Now we are reaping the harvest of that neglect. Hill's foresight was not accepted as sound, but he knew what he was talking about. Under present conditions, the roads would be required to spend at least the whole sum mentioned by the great builder in order to be in a condition to care for present day traffic, and no provision for the future whatever.

The proposed route to the ocean by way of the Great Lakes and the stupendous river means an outlet for the greatest producing region in the world. Forty-five per cent of the exportable foodstuffs alone come from the secion that would be directly served by ocean carriers using this system. Its feasibility is unquestioned, its desirability is imperative, and its utility means the emancipation of the farms and factories between the Alleghenies and the Rockies from a condition that now hampers output, increases cost of marketing, and delays the circulation of wealth by holding up the current of traffic. If this region is to grow, and it certainly will, then its possibilities will be reached quicker because it has ample facilities for sending its products to the consumer.

Nebraska is vitally concerned in this, and is generally committed to it. Support for the project means much to the future of the state's great business of food producing, a fact that should not be lost sight of by any of its citizens.

The Rich Man's Money.

"Money only represents things of greater value," says Capper's Weekly in a paragraph recording the return from Europe of President Vauclain of the Baldwin Locomotive Works with a hundred million dollars' worth of orders in his grip, which mean work at big wages for great number of Americans. "That kind of big business helps everybody," says Capper's.

It does. And Mr. Vauclain is a plutocrat, be itiremembered; many times a millionaire. Long ago he had money enough to support his family in affluence for generations to come. Suppose he had quit then and permitted his business genius to lie dormant, would not the country have been the loser? We hear much of swollen fortunes and of the men who possess them. Where are their dollars? Stacked up in vaults? Not for a minute. They are invested to the amount of many billions in thousands of useful productive enterprises that give work and wages to millions of less gifted men, affording them opportunity to acquire comfortable homes and live happy lives, and so share in the earnings made possible only by the employment of immense capital under the direction of commercial genius.

The money saved by the "little fellow," financially speaking, represents the comforts of home and family and respectability. The money saved by the big fellow-the plutocrat-represents certain "things of greater value," which are included in opportunities for industrious men to thrive all over the land. He is a densely ignorant man who harbors a feeling of hostifity to wealth. Without its existence and the industry and brains of those who control it, the comforts and pleasures of the entire human race would be reduced to a minimum. Wealth is a measure of those achievements which add to the happiness of mankind.

The Present Phase of Drinking.

He is a simple minded, credulous man who believes a constitutional amendment, fortified with federal and state laws, can banish all alcoholic beverages from this country. So long 15 human nature remains what it is, and evil of any sort continues in a sinful world, drinks with a kick in them will be made. The appetites of thousands of years cannot be totally destroyed by any sort of legal enactment or any penalty however severe. Crime continues in spite of law. A country may be bone dry legally,

but not actually. It is just as well to understand this now, and the writer says it with the bias of a man who has voted dry in local option elections and state prohibition elections, and used his personal influence for national prohibition. The liquor saloon has been put out of business, the breweries and distilleries are gone. The open invitation to indulge publicly in intoxicating drinks has passed away. The manufacture and sale of brews, wines and liquors are no longer legal. It is a tremendous reform that has been accomplished, under which we shall be a sober | under?

nation, well rid of a cancerous blight that destroyed men by hundreds of thousands annually,

and levied an appalling cost bill on the people. But for many years to come there will be clandestine manufacture and sale of ardent spirits, and much making of wines and beers in homes. The fact should cause no discouragement. We do not lose faith in law when there is a murder or a robbery. We need not grow excited when we see evidence of drinking. There is much to be thankful for in the banishment of the saloon. As time passes there will be less and less crooking of elbows. It is now a matter of gradually putting the drink habit out of mind.

Did America Fight for the League?

In the wilderness of words that has sprung up around the record of Woodrow Wilson in connection with the world war, certain utterances stand out like forest monarchs. Some of these may shed a little light on the platform adopted at San Francisco. That document starts out with an eulogistic statement concerning the League of Nations in which it says:

. . It was for this that America broke away from traditional isolation and spent its blood and treasure to crush a colossal scheme of conquest. It was upon this basis that the president of the United States in prearrangement with our allies consented to suspension of hositilities against the imperial German government: . we not only congratulate the president on the vision manifested and the vigor exhibited in the progress of the war, but we felicitate him and his associates on the exceptional achieve-

ment at Paris What about the "vision manifested" by the president? Did he have it on January 8, 1915,

when he said: Do you not think it is likely that the world will some day turn to America and You were right and we were wrong.

You kept your heads and we lost ours."

Or was it on May 27, 1916, when he spoke of the war, then almost two years old, in these With its causes and objects we have no concern. The obscure fountains from which

its stupendous flood burst forth we are not interested to search for or explore. This thought was still in his mind when, on

October 5, 1916, he said: The singularity of the present war is that its origin and objects have never been disclosed. They have obscure European roots, which we do not know how to trace. It will take the long inquiry of history to ex-

Maybe his earlier expression, that of February 3, 1916, gives a clue to his thought. It was then he said:

I have tried to live up to the counse! I have given my fellow citizens, not only to be neutral in action, but also to be neutral in the

genuine attitude of thought and mind. How this neutrality could be maintained the president expressed thirteen months later,

March 5, 1917, in this: The war inevitably set its mark from the first alike upon our minds, our industries, our social actions. To be indifferent to it or independent of it was out of the question.

His "vision" was evidently clearing up a little then, and became much brighter on April 2 of that year, when he declared:

The world must be made safe for democracy. Its peace must be planted on the tested

foundation of political liberty. His "peace with victory," and "too proud to fight" utterances are still in the public mind. And remembering these things, how impudently does the convention seem in its declaration that we went to war and fought to establish a League of Nations!

Too Much Speed on the Road.

The record of automobile accidents for Sunday is appalling, but is only a continuation of the tale that has been told again and again in the Monday morning newspapers. Family parties or groups of pleasure-seekers throng the highways, and among the lot is somebody who has no regard for his own or the safety of others. Rules of the road mean nothing to him, no consideration of comfort or convenience animates him, and he becomes the terror of all who seek enjoyment in a Sunday drive. How to suppress him is the problem. He frequently is badly hurt in the wreck he causes, but often enough escapes to inspire him to "take a chance" the next time he gets out. The worst phase of his existence is that he appears to get pleasure only in excitement, and finds this in disregarding everything laid down by wisdom and experience to safeguard the highway traffic. "It has come to such a pass that the owner of a car, no matter how prudent and careful he may be, knows that when he goes out for a drive he does so at the risk of accident caused by some reckless fool. The end to this is plain. Either the speeder must be suppressed, or the highways turned over to him exclusively. The problem is up to the police court judges.

The Beginning of an End. "Fifteen dollar shirts marked down to \$7.50," remarks an exchange, "means the beginning of the end of an epoch." It does mean exactly that, but just now we are more interested in berry boxes whose bottoms are an inch from the bottom, and crowded peach boxes whose lower layer turns out to be chiefly wadded

Is commercial honesty lost? Or with big crops and falling prices are we to have honest measure and a cessation of false pretenses in the packing of food receptacles?

For Decency's Sake.

An editorial on "Decency" in Sunday's Bee contains these words:

In scripture and in painting the line of

decency is rather vague. It was written "in sculpture and in painting." In the sixteenth line of the same article the word important was printed "imported." We let that pass, but the first error demands cor-

"Did you notice that the wind came from the north on June 21?" queried the weather sage of The Bee composing room Saturday. "That always means a cool summer. It never fails." Three cheers! Benisons rest on this prophet. May he never sweat in hot weather or chill in cold. June 21 was a blessed day.

Now the word comes from across the water that Col. House is advising Lloyd George on the Irish question. Hope he has better luck than he did when trying to steer Woodrow Wilson at Paris.

One bunch of local crooks has been overhauled, but a lot of room remains for the exercise of thief-taking ability.

The president and the candidate both professed to be pleased. Wonder which knocked

Women in the Pulpit

From the Baltimore American.

Has the Christian church made the best use of its women? That is a question rarely asked and never answered in a satisfactory manner. None can doubt that this is an age in which woman is playing a greater part and a better part than ever before in the world's history. This country will soon give to women unlimited suffrage in spite of the unwarranted delays and inexcusable obstacles thrown in the path of the goal. In both the great political conventions of the year women have played a creditable part and have been treated not only with courtesy for their sex but with consideration won by their weather the human body does not clear heads and acknowledged ability. They make less heat, but makes more were not mere ornaments in these national gath- heat, assuming that the individual erings but were seated there as delegates, did is equally active in both warm and To one quart of boiled water add for the men they considered best fitted for the high honor of presidential candidate. In law and heat, decides to lie in a hammock in medicine, in spite of untoward opposition, wo- under a fan he will make less heat, men have succeeded and not a few of them have of course. risen to high places in their professions. Many instances can be cited of important original work in every branch of medicine credited to by increasing the loss of heat from the use in our family fifty years. fact that, though medical and law schools have been forced to open their doors to women, no thus increases his heat production sign of welcome has been placed over those he will continue to make heat at an doors for them, nor have they been encouraged increased rate for some time after It has been proved beyond the shadow of a

doubt that woman can succeed in law and medi-cine. Then why not in the pulpit? There are in this country today possibly a dozen women who have been ordained as pastoral work is hot climates and hot weather is so first offered them of their own. Most of these closely bound up with loss of heat, charges are in the rural districts or in small we are interested in the question of villages and sometimes women have taken clothes for hot weather. them because no man would have them. Few, raiment for the tropics is a large if any, theological seminaries are today open to white umbrella lined with green women and they cannot be expected to become I have seen negro children on southsuccessful in the pulpit unless the seminary ern plantations dressed that very training so essential to pastoral success is first way except for the umbrella. They quit. The cures will not harm you. offered them. Right here is the crux of the were more comfortable than were whole matter. Training for such work is fully the observers. as necessary as training for either law or medicine, and until the conferences and the assemblies of Protestant churches, knowing this, take proximate it as nearly as the law action to offer such training to women on the same terms as it is now giving to men, women brimmed helmet and a loosely fitting cannot make progress in the direction of the highest type of church work.

Would women succeed in the pulpit? Why not? Her devotion and her faith are beyond question. Training in the seminary would make her as well fitted to prepare a sermon as a man and her earnestness founded on her true love for the Master would help her to send His message home to her hearers with telling force. That a woman thus trained could become and side, the temperatue of the black would become a pulpit orator of convincing eloquence who can doubt and those sterling and oving attributes of faith, of hope, of charity, have given to women thrones in the hearts of men since the world began, would give her words and her work a power that men might envy. In the church, as it stands today, of air is held next the skin and woman has done her part, but the part assigned causes great discomfort. Therefore her, or allowed her, has been so small that, while it has counted in the general result, it has not been rated as absolutely essential to either the existence or the progress of the

Why not make the best use of the ten weather, some woolen and some talents the Creator entrusted to women? The en, but all agreed that the fabrics church needs more ministers, sadly needs them, should be porous and of light weight. Pick up any church paper and there you will find a record of empty pulpits. There you will find regrets that young men are declining to enter the Christian ministry, seeking other fields enter the Christian ministry, seeking other helds in which the tasks are not so hard and the remaybe the diaper can be dispensed muneration more generous. The true Christian with on a hot day woman would never be deterred by such considerations. When she had once determined to give her life to the service of the church no thought of ease or of pelf could change her The argument that men would not be influenced by her pulpit words must fall to the ground when we remember that some of the greatest of our American orators have been women. The stage teaches the same lesson. There the highest honors have been well-nigh equally divided between the sexes, not of English-speaking nations alone but in all lands where civilization holds sway. Not one sound argument can be adduced

against woman in the pulpit. The church needs her there. Why does it not make this greater use of her devotion, her ability as a true leader, her willingness to play a greater part in the evangelization of the world?

A Publisher in the White House

It is an interesting fact that the presidential ominees of both the great parties this year drawn from the ranks of the publishers. his telegram of congratulation to Governor James M. Cox, Senator W. G. Harding felicitates him, as a fellow publisher, upon his victory in the convention, and Governor Cox, in responding expresses his appreciation of the fraternal feeling which has always characterized craft to which they both belong. Doubtless both Mr. Harding and Mr. Cox recognize the trials and tribulations which have been the portion of publishers generally during and since the war. A company conducting a publishing business has not only paid corporation taxes as have other corporations, but its publications been specially taxed for use of second class mail privilege and that tax is steadily increasing, and discriminates unjustly against papers located away from the geographical center of the country, especially New York and San Francisco. Moreover, publishers have had to meet high publishing costs, such as paper, printing and binding, ranging from 100 to 1,000 per cent over pre-war figures, while it has been mpossible to make selling prices keep pace with such excessive publishing costs. Thus the predictions of still further increased costs in the year 1921, especially for paper, give reason for disturbance of mind of the publisher, who finds himself unable to pass the increased cost on to

It is to be hoped, in the interest of the publication business, at least, that the peak of the expense rise may soon be passed, and that whether republican or democratic candidate be elected, he will not stand up so straight as to lean backward when matters arise having a bearing on the welfare of the business of members of his own calling. Whether Mr. Harding or Mr. Cox he the choice of the American people for president, let us hope that under the new administration the financial and commercial interests of the country shall be conserved and stabilized, the rate of taxation materially reduced and that economical government will again prevail.—New York Spectator.

For Exceptional Bravery.

A colored soldier, returning to the southern | town whence he had been whisked by Uncle Sam, and bearing a decoration on his manly chest, was the cynosure for all the dusky belles of the place.
"What dat you got pinned on you?" asked

"Dat ain't nothin' but jes' a little ol' crow de

"How come you get dat crow de gurry?"
"How come? Ain't no how come. Dey jes'
gives it to me fer lettin' a French ossifer kiss me."-The American Legion Weekly.

All Personal Pride Lost.

By the time a man's hair thins out pretty well on the top, he spends very little time before the mirror and never fails to call for boiled onions when they appear on the menu.-Hous-

Converted Will Hays in Fact.

According to the Ohio State Journal, Mrs. Heber H. Votaw, sister of Senator Harding, was a "missionary in Indiana for 10 years."—Kansas City Star.

Men Who Travel on Their Face. never," boasted the shoe clerk, "forget a man's face that I have fitted shoes on."-Boston

How to Keep Well

By Dr. W. A. EVANS

Questions concerning hygiene, sanitation and prevention of disease, submitted to Dr. Evans by readers of The Bee, will be answered personally, subject to proper limitation, where a stamped, addressed envelope is enclosed. Dr. Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual diseases. Address letters in care of The Bee.

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SUIT. been found that in hot

If the individual, because of the Thus indirectly does a man make less heat in hot weather. The regulation of the body temperature in hot weather is accomplished If a man takes active exercise and

he has quieted down. There is considerable scientific basis for the opinion that a cool bath at night before retiring will increase the comfort of sleep during hot weather. Since the question of comfort in

"Since the idea hot weather suggestion of raiment," Dr. Gibbs says, "is not permissible, we should apsuggests a large white suit of material as thin as possible. If a man's work makes white impracticable he should wear goods as nearly white as is practi-

Experiments with rabbits and oth er animals show that black absorbs heat rapidly. When one white and one black animal of the same kind are exposed in hot sunlight side from sunstroke quicker and die more promptly.

Between the body and the clothing is a layer of air which is both hot and wet. If clothing is heavy or of a close weave this wet and hot layer clothing for the tropics and for hot weather elsewhere should be as light and as porous as possible A. Breuil and W. J. Young, mak-

some preferred cotton cloth for hot A few garments are better than many. A baby is most comfortable when it wears a diaper and a slip.

If the weather is very hot it will Since most of the surplus heat

s disposed of by evaporation of erspiration, the clothing must not fore impervious to air.

Fanning by increasing evapora tion and changing the layer of ho wet air around the skin adds greatly to comfort. Since so much water is lost by sweating, the individual must drink plenty of water.

Eye Washes. M. L. W. writes: "Several years igo my aunt gave me a formula for in eye wash she has used for years She said it is a simple home remedy for tired eyes and it was the regular use of this wash which kept her from wearing glasses. I feel that I need this wash again, and as I have forgotten just exactly what it is, turn two teaspoonfuls of camphor and two or three teaspoonfuls of borax.' REPLY.

The formula of Dr. O. W. Holmes well known eve wash is as follows: vertion for the sole reason that he Porax, 2 grains; camphor water, ounce. It is one of the best simple stood for America and against the family eye washes and has been in

Nerve Will Do Wonders. Billie writes: "I have been addicted to cigaret smoking and chewing the ends of cigarets for many years. I find recently that or something else has caused me a great deal of distress. I have tried all sorts of cures for cigarets but have found that nothing so far has helped me. It seems as if the cures have weakened me and made me fee worse than did the so-called cigaret

Repeat request and send stamped addressed envelope. No cure will work unless you are determined to

The Thoughtful Druggist. Mrs. R. writes: "Upon bringing in your prescription for hay fever

my pharmacist notified me that it scribed: 'Four ounces calcium chloride crystals in one pint of distilled rain water. Take one teaspoonful three times a day.' Kindly let me know if it is all right. REPLY

Thank your druggist for his cautious consideration, but tell him he



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Republican Platform Best. Omaha, July 16.—To the Editor of The Bee: I believe that all vot-ers opposed to the league of nations should support the republican can-didate for president. The new party should not attract these people. best it can only succeed in winning a few northern and western states. It will not attempt to invade th solid south. Thus the old southern democracy will be returned to power As between Cox and Harding, opponents of the league of nations must choose the latter. lican convention drafted its league of nations plank to suit Hiram John son, an irreconcilable. The demothe league, but it threw the democratic irreconcilable out of the con

league to preserve empires. THOMAS LYNCH.

Old-Timers Missed. A chief of the Penobscot Indians participated in a recent centennial celebration in Maine. That is well, but where were the Kennebecks, the Androscoggins, the Aroostooks, the Fiscatauquis, the Moosetocmagun-tics and the Moiechunkemunks?— St. Louis Globe Democrat.

Handing Us One.

The American feels a sense of outrage at seeing German women working side by side with their husbands in the fields, and regards this as mistreating the gentler sex. But he insists upon a tremendous amount | Make this up and try it.

of work from his stenographer and re common among women employee in every American city. - Erwin Resse-Carle in the Frankfurter Zeitung (Germany).

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